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disposition, so that he considered the desire of reconciliation as a meanness. Far from inspiring and encouraging a principle of generosity, and inclination to oblige, she cherished a selfish propensity. A play-fellow asked him for a small piece of orange, when he was eating a very large one, when his mother called out, No, my love, you can't spare any; I know it would be a disappointment to part from a piece, therefore eat it all. She indulged in him a love of dress, of which at last he became so fond, that he was unhappy, if any little boy was *finer* than himself, yet never felt any uneasiness because others were *better*. This temper made him always soliciting for new cloaths, and desirous of procuring by any means, even by theft, every thing he admired. His mother did not give herself any trouble

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ble in teaching him to read, though she had masters for that, as she desired he might not be nor importuned to do what he learned nothing. Some, was so obstinate, he would nor spell what he really knew, made people say, he was either stupid and silly, or deserved to for obstinacy. At other times himself airs, and pretends to ledge, and was angry with those who gave him information, were tired with such per which made him chuse to be ignorant, or by refusing instruction, remain *really* so. As he grew he became more unhappy, full of being always at a loss, could not read to amuse or himself. He was not particular of any employment, except

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